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**MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR OF INTELLIGENCE  
DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY**

**Subject: Mobilization of Roumanian Army**

1. It has been reported that BODNARAS, the recently appointed Roumanian Communist Minister for National Defense, has been given the task of raising an army of 22-30 Divisions which are to be Soviet equipped and will consist of age groups of from 18 to 25 years old.

2. It is believed that this is, perhaps, a long-term policy and that the plan will be implemented by the calling up of new classes (including reserves) for a short period of training. Thus, over a period, a Territorial Army of a potential strength of 20-30 Divisions could be created on mobilization. It is not thought that this plan is for a standing army of 22-30 Divisions as such an army would not be feasible for Roumania for the following reasons:

a. Roumanian present economy could not support an army of this size.

b. An army of this size would be larger than that of any other satellite nation, and, from the Russian point of view, Roumania is not yet completely reliable.

c. An insufficiently trained cadre of such an army.

3. Any information, confirmation or refutation of the following points would be appreciated:

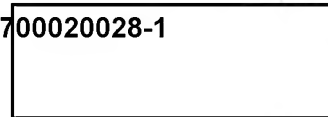
a. Was BODNARAS in fact given this task?

b. The strength of the army to be raised.

c. Is it a standing army, or are the figures merely a mobilization target?

d. The proposed equipment of such an army.

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e. The date by which it is to be formed or the date by which sufficient reserves will have to be trained to enable an army of this size to be mobilized.

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